

60. (New) An isolated nucleic acid which hybridizes under high stringency conditions to SEQ ID NO: 3, wherein said high stringency conditions comprise 0.1-1x SSC/0.1% w/v SDS at 60°C for 1-3 hours, wherein said nucleic acid encodes a human VEGF-B molecule.

61. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 60 wherein said VEGF-B comprises an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.

62. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 60 wherein said VEGF-B comprises an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:6.

63. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 60 wherein said VEGF-B comprises an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:8.

64. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 60 wherein said VEGF-B comprises an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:10.

65. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 60 wherein said VEGF-B consists of an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.

66. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 60 wherein said VEGF-B consists of an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:6.

67. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 60 wherein said VEGF-B consists of an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:8.

68. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 60 wherein said VEGF-B consists of an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:10.

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